

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA
ALEXANDRIA DIVISION**

SUHAIL NAJIM ABDULLAH AL SHIMARI,
ASA'AD HAMZA HANFOOSH AL-ZUBA'E,
and HASAN NSAIF JASIM AL-EJAILI,

Plaintiffs,

v.

CACI PREMIER TECHNOLOGY, INC.,

Defendant,

CACI PREMIER TECHNOLOGY, INC.,

Third-Party Plaintiff,

v.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, and
JOHN DOES 1-60,

Third-Party Defendants.

No. 1:08-cv-0827 LMB-JFA

**CACI PT'S MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT
OF ITS MOTION TO FILE DOCUMENTS UNDER SEAL**

This action centers on Plaintiffs' allegations that they were mistreated while in United States' custody at the Abu Ghraib detention facility in Iraq. At all times relevant to the allegations, Abu Ghraib was under the control of United States military as part of Operation Iraqi Freedom. The United States, now a party to this action, has provided discovery pursuant to the Protective Order in this case. *See* Dkt. #211.

Defendant CACI Premier Technology, Inc. ("CACI PT") seeks to file under seal its Opposition to Plaintiffs' Motion to Reinstate Taha Rashid as Plaintiff. CACI PT's opposition

refers to, quotes, and describes information from Mr. Rashid's detainee file that was designated as subject to the Protective Order by the United States. By the terms of the Protective Order, this material may be filed only if it is filed under seal. Dkt. #211 at ¶ 9.

Under *Ashcraft v. Conoco, Inc.*, 218 F.3d 282, 288 (4th Cir. 2000), an order to seal documents is valid and appropriate when the Court (1) provides notice to the public and gives the public an opportunity to object; (2) considers less drastic alternatives; and (3) provides specific findings in support of its decision to seal. Here, the public has been given notice of CACI PT's motion to seal. The motion to seal and supporting memorandum have been filed publicly. Less drastic alternatives to filing under seal are inappropriate. These documents relate to highly sensitive information about U.S. military operations in Iraq, and have been designated as subject to the Protective Order in this action. CACI PT has filed a public version of its opposition that redacted references to protected information.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that on the 18th day of April, 2018, I will electronically file the foregoing with the Clerk of Court using the CM/ECF system, which will then send a notification of such filing (NEF) to the following:

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